

Dr. Wiber Suspends G. W. U. Basketball Team and Goes After Yale's Scalp

WOULD PUT INVADE PLANS TO PUT A CLUB IN CLEVELAND UNDER BAN

Dr. Wiber Takes Drastic Action in Basketball Case.

Invasion of Chicago Preliminary to Other Schemes.

As a result of the basketball game in which Yale beat George Washington University 19 to 13 last night in Washington, James E. Sullivan and the Amateur Athletic Union will have a chance to show exactly what control they have over amateur athletics when the competitors happen to be college teams.

Before the game last night Dr. E. Wiber, chairman of the registration committee of the South Atlantic Association of the Amateur Athletic Union, notified Manager Biddle, of the George Washington University team, that Reges, of that team, had been declared a professional by the Amateur Athletic Union for taking part in the games of the Professional Basketball League in Washington last season. Dr. Wiber advised Biddle not to play Reges, but the college manager declared the Amateur Athletic Union disqualification could not be enforced in a game between two colleges and in which no outsiders took part. Dr. Wiber took an entirely different view, and warned Biddle that he would disqualify every man on the George Washington University team.

Yale Was Notified.

Word was also sent to the Yale management that Reges was a professional and should not be allowed to play, but after a long wrangle, Coach Lush decided to have him take part rather than cause the game to be called off. Subsequently, Dr. Wiber discovered that Crancer was also one of the men who had been expelled from the Amateur Athletic Union because of his connection with the professional league, which simply made the case stronger, although the discussion before the game centered around Reges.

Dr. Wiber this morning announced that he had suspended the entire George Washington team from competition in any Amateur Athletic Union event, and had wired Sullivan, president of the union, asking him what he was going to do about suspending the Yale team and forbidding all teams to play. Dr. Wiber was very emphatic in his declaration that the Amateur Athletic Union officials should punish to the utmost those who violate the rules in the game last night, and said that if this were not done he would resign his position in the Amateur Athletic Union.

Most Flagrant Case.

"This was a most flagrant case, without any extenuating circumstances, and if the Amateur Athletic Union cannot enforce its suspensions for professionalism and after full warning, then I am going to resign and get out, for the Amateur Athletic Union suspensions would be meaningless."

"I knew Reges had been declared a professional, and warned Manager Biddle not to play him, but Biddle was quite cocky about it and told me the Amateur Athletic Union had nothing whatever to do with participants in a strictly intercollegiate contest. Then I sent word to the Yale people that George Washington University was using professionals, but Yale decided to play anyhow."

Where Does A. A. U. Stand?

"Now I am going to find out where the Amateur Athletic Union stands. I have suspended every man on the George Washington University team who is playing with a professional and will not allow them to enter any Amateur Athletic Union games. Also, I have wired James E. Sullivan, president of the Amateur Athletic Union, stating the facts, and asking what he intends to do about disqualifying the Yale players and any Amateur Athletic Union team they may meet in the future."

"This is not a case of technical violation of rules or a disagreement with the Intercollegiate Association on articles of agreement, but it is a question of whether or not the Amateur Athletic Union is to be mocked in its great excuse for existence—the suppression of professionalism. If the colleges, which are firmly allied with the Amateur Athletic Union, can use or play against men who have been declared professionals by the Amateur Athletic Union, then the alliance is not worth the paper it is written on."

POLICE OVERLOOK NEW JERSEY BOUT

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—For sixty minutes last night in a certain garage in Paterson, N. J., on the aristocratic East Side of the town Danny Duane, a New York lightweight, and Otto Seifoff, of Chicago, fought fiercely in the presence of two score of men prominent in business and social circles.

Not a policeman appeared to stop the bout, which had been arranged quietly, and which was pulled off at an early hour. Twenty paid \$50 apiece to witness the bout, and as the battle was a clean draw, the men received \$200 apiece, minus the slight expenses they underwent.

Time after time Seifoff rushed Duane, who refused to give an inch, and then Duane would pummel his opponent against the ropes, only to have the tables turned on him once more.

Sullivan's Trainer Dies From Shock of Falling in Harbor

KENOSHA, Wis., Dec. 31.—John Cash, trainer for John J. Sullivan at the time the great pugilist was at the height of his career, died on board the steamer J. C. Suit in the Kenosha harbor last night just before midnight.

Cash, who had been working as a deckhand for some time, had fallen into the harbor earlier in the evening and, although rescued and revived, he suffered so from the shock that he died. Cash was fifty-five years old. Twenty years ago he was widely known among sporting men as the trainer of the ring champion.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—The American Association has gone on record as favoring the transfer of the St. Paul club to this city and unless one side or the other comes to some agreement at the meeting in Cincinnati next Monday between President O'Brien and the National commission there threatens to be another baseball war.

The proposed change in the circuit was a thorned subject with the American Association magnates before they left for home today, but in conversation they hinted what action they will take in case of disagreement. No definite announcement will, therefore, be made until after the major leagues have given their final decision.

May Be a Bluff.

On the surface the agreement to meet the president of the American Association looks like a good start for the expansionists, but by some it is declared to be in reality an easy way of letting the invaders out on the long end of a stiff bluff without admitting that it was retreating. No one here seriously thinks that the minors mean to war on organized baseball.

The attempt of Ban Johnson to belittle the movement has had the effect of cementing the association magnates, and, while some of the more conservative were inclined to defer action for another year, the scoffing of the American league president has driven them over to the invaders.

The Only Recourse.

All of the American Association delegates recognize that the appeal to the national commission was the only proper way under baseball law to secure the placing of a team in Chicago, but most of them have already discounted the reply of the major leagues from the emphatic stand assumed by President Johnson, who said: "The national commission does not have the authority to pass on a change in the circuit of any of the leagues. A vote of every club-owner in the American and National leagues would be required for such a grant, and I know that the American League magnates are opposed to such invasion."

"I can see no reason why the association should not place a club in Chicago and in Cleveland," said Tebeau. "There is plenty of room in both cities for an additional club, and I don't believe that move would harm the major leagues now occupying the territory."

Hatchetites Take

Too Many Chances; Yale Wins Easily

First Half Sorry Exhibition, But Second Is More Snappy.

In a game of fifteen-minute halves, Yale's basketball team trimmed George Washington last evening by 19 to 13. On account of a delay in the arrival of the visitors' train, coupled with a dispute over the eligibility of Reges, the Hatchettite center, the game did not start until nearly 11 o'clock. The G. W. U. player was barred by Dr. E. Wiber, secretary of the registration committee. South Atlantic Association A. A. U., because of alleged professionalism.

The local team also felt the loss of Covell, its forward, and Marsh, who played in his place, although full of snap and ginger, showed the lack of practice in fast company.

Cramer's Long Toss.

In the first half Yale scored ten points and the Hatchettites three. Cramer made a pretty toss to the basket from the center of the field. The Hatchettite's main fault was in taking too long chances and this was about the only thing they came out to the good. Yale's tactics were just the opposite. The visiting players worked the ball up until almost under the basket from which they were almost sure of scoring, but G. W. U. made the majority of its attempts while playing near the center of the field.

There were more lively in the second half and Cramer again figured in the scoring. The work of Johnson was also effective, especially in blocking. For Yale Goodwin was the greatest point winner, with a total of six baskets. Van Vleet, at center, also played well. The game was a close one, but Yale's tactics were just the opposite. The visiting players worked the ball up until almost under the basket from which they were almost sure of scoring, but G. W. U. made the majority of its attempts while playing near the center of the field.

Eli Crippled.

Yale showed the effects of its hard schedule, following which it has been playing night games for two weeks past. The team started out with eleven men and arrived in Washington with five, barely enough to make up the quint and no allowances in case of accident. Yale's work was noticeably better in that the local team despite this fact. It played the game easier and with an automatic precision which has come of its long line of practice games.

The line-up:
Geo. Wash. Positions Yale
Cramer.....L. F.....Goodwin
Marsh.....L. F.....Wrenn
Reges.....C. F.....Van Vleet
Rutherford.....L. G.....Eames
Johnson.....R. G.....Norris
Field goals—Cramer (2), Reges (4), Goodwin (6), Van Vleet (2), Wrenn (2). Goals from free throws—Van Vleet (2), Cramer (2), Foulis—Reges (4), Wrenn (2), Eames (2). Referee—Mr. Beckett, Y. M. C. A. Time—Mr. Biddle, George Washington; Mr. Lush, Yale, Time of halves—15 minutes.

Speedy Irish Swimmer



JAMES M. TYRRELL.

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HALPIN'S LETTER RAISES SCANDAL AMONG ATHLETES

Every's Amateur Standing Will Be Investigated by Committee.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The controversy over the selection of Matt Halpin as manager of the American athletic team bound for the Olympic games in London, developed several brand new features yesterday.

Halpin's radical reply to his enemies brought many new angles of the fight from cover. Ray C. Every, the New York Athletic Club broad jumper, will be asked to show cause why he should not be disqualified on Thursday before a special meeting of the registration committee of the Amateur Athletic Union was a direct result of the Halpin statement. Halpin will also be summoned to substantiate his charges. Every is accused of giving exhibitions at circuses and meetings unregistered by the Amateur Athletic Union.

I. A. A. C. Member Talks.

A well informed member of the Irish-American Athletic Club whose word is unquestioned, declared: "The Irish-American Athletic Club committee as a majority is not, and never was, in harmony with the action of the club's protest against Halpin. Summing the situation up, they are sorry the affair ever reached the newspapers, and there are many who assert no protest should have been made." Speaking for himself, the same man said: "I would have gladly forfeited \$1,000 rather than see Halpin make his statement. However, I realize he was forced to do so, and I do not blame him. The outcome is hard to foresee, but it has cast a reflection on American athletics which only time will efface."

Sullivan Reticent.

President James E. Sullivan, of the Amateur Athletic Union, would not discuss the matter at all yesterday. The Amateur Athletic Union has practically nothing to do with the fight being waged against Halpin, but is prepared to stand by him now as in the past. Halpin will neither resign nor be removed, unless a sudden change comes in the present plans. Rumors were rife that the manager's position on the team was impossible after his fiery retorts and he was prepared to quit. Nothing could be further from the facts. Halpin is ill as a result of the trouble, but the word quit is not in his vocabulary.

English Committee May Investigate.

It is known that the English committee of the Olympic games has already heard of the trouble and is thinking of making inquiries on the subject. The English are also puzzled over the Longboat controversy. So far, but \$100 has actually been subscribed to send an American team to London, and if the followers of the sport do not soon get busy and help the fund, club athletes are likely to be similarly represented in London next summer.

The colleges are watching matters with an interested eye. If the matter against Halpin keeps up the college men are likely to get together, put up the money, and notify the American committee that they stand ready to send a strong team to the Olympic games. This is not a mere rumor. The matter is being seriously considered at Yale, Pennsylvania, and Princeton.

Adapted to College Athletics.

The colleges took little interest in the Athens meet for the reason that it was held at a time that would have made it necessary for the college athletes to forsake the chance of helping their own universities at the intercollegiate meet, to say nothing of dropping the studies for a long period. In order to go to Greece, The London meet, however, takes place in the summer, making it convenient for all the college cracks to take a nice little vacation jaunt to London. That is why the college boys have such a decided interest in the coming Olympic meet.

Caledonians Book Association Game With Baltimoreans

Washington will be given the opportunity of seeing a game of association football at Brightwood Park tomorrow, when the Sons of St. George, of Baltimore, and the Caledonian team, of this city, line up.

The game is a return match, the result of a draw when the Washingtonians played the Sons in Baltimore and each scored three goals. Admission will be free, and the Caledonian Club extends an invitation to the members of the order of St. George in this city to be on hand tomorrow.

The game will be called at 2:30 o'clock and will give those who have not seen an association game of football an excellent chance to acquaint themselves with this branch of sport.

The line-up:
Sons of St. G. Position. Caledonians.
H. Answorth.....Goalkeeper.....R. Cowan
H. Rowland.....Backs.....A. Douglas
W. L. Smith.....Backs.....F. McFarlane
T. Lawder.....Halfbacks.....A. Bullen
J. G. Wilson.....Halfbacks.....A. Miller
Chas. Beal.....Halfbacks.....J. Crawford
R. Williams.....Forwards.....J. Elder
H. Tempest.....Forwards.....J. Winscholl
J. Guthrie.....Forwards.....J. Black
H. Beal.....Forwards.....W. C. Petrie
A. Gamble.....Forwards.....J. Spence
Reserve—Sons of St. George: J. Law, George Hyde, and R. Kerr. Caledonians: William Harley, William Smith, and William Miller, sr.
Referee—John D. Higgins.

FOREIGN CHAMPION DEFEATED.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Jim Parr, the English champion, was defeated last night by Charles Olsen, the St. Louis wrestler, in a catch-as-catch-can bout at the Waverly rink. Olsen took the second and third falls, after he had been pinned to the mat in the first in thirteen minutes flat.

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